

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 14, 2005 has been carefully reviewed. Claims 1-17 and 20-31 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1-8, 17, 20-27, 30, and 31 have been cancelled. Claims 9-16, 28, and 29 are unchanged by this amendment.

Claims 9-16, 28, and 29 were indicated as being allowable in the 7/14/05 Office Action. The remaining claims (i.e., claims 1-8, 17, 20-27, 30, and 31) were rejected under either 35 U.S.C. § 102 or 35 U.S.C. § 103. All of the rejected claims have herein been cancelled without prejudice. As a result, only the allowed claims (i.e., claims 9-16, 28, and 29) remain pending in this application. In view of this, it is submitted that this application is in a condition for allowance. Action to that end is hereby solicited.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 with reference to file 265280-73424.

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